Waiving of Residency Condition for Rajya Sabha Election

86. SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to have open ballots and do away with the residency condition on the candidates in elections to the Rajya Sabha; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has decided to amend the section 3 of the Respresentation of the People Act, 1951 to do away with the requirement of residence of a particular State / Union territory for contesting election to the Council of States from that State / Union territory. The Government has also decided to amend the section 59, 94 and 128 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 which provide for secrecy of ballot in elections to the Council of States so as to introduce open ballot system for these election.

Economic Law Commission

87. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an Economic Law Commission; and

(b) if so, the main objectives of the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Equity Capital of top Companies

88. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of 100 top compaines of the country in terms of subscribed equity capital; and